

City of Newport Beach, CA

City Manager's Newsletter

TO: Mayor Hill & Council Members

FROM: Dave Kiff, City Manager

DATE: September 5, 2014

Please enjoy the attached newsletters...



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Kimberly Brandt, Community Development Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Date: September 5, 2014

Permit Center

During the month of August, the Permit Center assisted an average of 157 customers per day, an increase of approximately 10 percent in counter activity from the July daily average of 143 customers.

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st 2	Avg. Daily Customers	157
August 2014	Percent Change from June	9.8 %
,	August: 3,289	customers over 21 work days

Aerie Project

The building permit for the Aerie project was issued recently. The seven unit condominium project located at 201 Carnation Avenue in Corona del Mar has been going through the public review process for the last ten years. The project is expected to take 20 months to complete.



Welcome Henry

Please welcome Henry Kemick as our new contract Building Inspector. Henry has worked for a number of different municipal agencies providing a wide range of inspection services. He comes to us with a wealth of construction experience and we look forward to his expertise and skills.





FINANCE DEPARTMENT

ACCOUNTING • FINANCE & TREASURY • OMB • REVENUE

September 5, 2014

TO: DAVE KIFF, CITY MANAGER

FROM: Dan Matusiewicz, Finance Director

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

eSAIL Business Process Consulting Sessions Update

Over the summer, the Finance department and representatives from other departments will be participating in Tyler-led Business Processing Consulting (BPC) sessions in anticipation of the financials ERP Phase I go live date set for July 2015. The purpose of this analysis is to identify current policy, procedure and practice by separating the whole business process into its component parts; identify stakeholders, internal and external influences; establish lines of communication; identify risks; and to define and agree upon the intended outcome when implementing these modules. This past week, the Accounts Payable module was discussed. This module will manage and maintain all aspects of vendor invoice, payment, tracking and history. The Munis AP module offers flexibility such as liquidating purchase orders in full or in part and viewing detailed information online. Invoices will be entered electronically in the system, scheduled for payment on a flexible basis, and through the use of integrated workflow functionality, users can route and approve invoices online replacing the need for payment authorization paperwork.

A schedule of all future BPC sessions can be viewed from the <u>SharePoint home page</u>.

Economy Keeps Improving

The economy seems to be humming along according to economists who recently reported several indicators that suggest that California, and U.S. economy overall, will expand at a more robust clip in the second half of the year.

Trade

California's export trade sector is running well ahead of a record-setting 2013. Through the first six months of 2014, exports are up 6.3 percent over 2013. State shipments for all of last year totaled \$168.13 billion, a record for California. In-state businesses shipped merchandise valued at \$15.77 billion in June, up 3.5 percent from \$15.23 billion in June 2013, according to an Commerce Department figures. Nationally, the Commerce Department said the U.S. trade deficit fell 7 percent from May to June to \$41.5 billion, its lowest level since January. Exports of goods and services rose 0.1 percent to a record high of \$195.9 billion. Imports fell 1.2 percent, the most in a year, to \$237.4 billion. Federal officials cited decreased imports of petroleum, motor vehicles and cell phones.

Manufacturing

The Institute for Supply Management (ISM) recently reported that its purchasing managers' index—a compilation of readings on orders, production, employment, supplier deliveries and inventories—climbed to 59.0 in August, from 57.1 in July. Economists had expected the gauge to fall, but instead the latest reading rose to its best showing since March 2011. Another factory survey, released by data provider Markit, showed manufacturing activity in August was the busiest since April 2010. The ISM said 17 of the 18 industries surveyed reported growth in August. Within the ISM factory report, many indexes hit or held near multiyear highs last month. The August new-orders index increased to a 10-year high of 66.7. The production index rose to 64.5, the best reading since May 2010.

Employment

Unemployment rates are falling throughout California and jobs are being added in record numbers.

California added more than 24,000 jobs in June, and the state has produced more than 356,000 new jobs during the last year. The unemployment rate has dropped significantly since June 2013, when it registered 9%. In August, the state unemployment rate was 7.4%. The last time the state's unemployment rate dropped below 8 percent was in September 2008. The Southern California region's biggest employment boost in the past quarter came in leisure and hospitality. That was followed by trade, transportation and utilities, educational and health services, construction and financial activities and professional and business services. In August, the national unemployment rate stood at 6.1 percent.

Amazon Announces Fifth California Distribution Center

With more and more people shopping online, Amazon.com Inc. recently announced it plans to open its fifth California distribution center. The new 700,000-square-foot center is expected to bring as many as 500 new jobs to the area when it opens in October, in addition to the economic benefit of sales for surrounding business and tax revenue for the city of Redlands, where it will be based. Amazon employees at the new Redlands center will pick, pack and ship large items, such as TVs, to customers.

Other distribution centers opened in the state in the past two years include large warehouses in San Bernardino, Moreno Valley, Patterson, and Tracy. The opening of the other new facilities, which represent 5 million square feet, helped create thousands of full-time jobs throughout California, officials said. E-commerce's retail market has grown to about 10 percent, a huge increase from a decade ago. That figure is expected to grow even more, experts say. Distribution center locations are going to grow throughout the country for quicker and more immediate shipping after a customer orders a good or goods online, said Christopher Thornberg, founding partner of the Los Angeles-based firm Beacon Economics.

"(Online sales) are growing so much faster," Thornberg said. "Within a decade, it's going to be a significant share. I don't know if it will ever dominate traditional brick-and-mortar stores, which do have some value. People like the community aspect of it, and there are some products people want to be able to touch and try on. As a result of that, we'll never see it completely replaced by online shopping, but in general it will clearly take up more and more of a share."



Newport Beach Fire Department Office of the Fire Chief

DATE: September 5, 2014

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Scott Poster, Fire Chief

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

TRAINING SERVICES

Leadership Training

Training Services is hosting an in depth leadership and ethics workshop. The workshop is being facilitated by the International Public Safety Leadership and Ethics Institute (IPSLEI). This is the first course in a four part series, designed for public safety officers and focuses on the development of excellence in public safety leadership.

This training will bring a dynamic and interactive approach to the exploration of leadership and how it relates to the public safety world. We had 24 firefighters from Newport Beach, one from Huntington Beach Fire Department, and one lifeguard from Newport Beach, for a total of 26 students. The course was taught by retired Laguna Beach Fire Chief (and former NBFD Fire Captain) Mike Macey, retired Orange County Fire Authority Battalion Chief Kevin Brame and Chapman University Professor Dr. Richard Resurreccion.



FIRE OPS

Maritime Rescue Drill

Fire Operations and Marine Operations are currently in the planning stages of developing a large scale Maritime Rescue Drill. Several months ago, San Diego County hosted a large regional drill that involved first responders dealing with a large scale maritime rescue operation. Several Newport Beach fire personnel and a lifeguard were drill evaluators; and it was very apparent that we would benefit from conducting a drill of this type.

The decision was made to pursue grant funding through the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) to host a Maritime Rescue Drill in Orange County. The last drill of this type was conducted in the mid 1990's. UASI agreed to fund a Maritime Rescue Drill with the Fire Department as the lead agency. The goal is to involve fire, law, lifeguard, Coast Guard and other government agencies in larger scale disaster drills. The planning process has begun, and the goal is to begin the initial table top drill training in January of 2015, with the full scale disaster exercise delivered in September 2015.

MARINE OPERATIONS

Newport Beach had warm weather and water temperatures in August. The weather averaged in the mid to high 60's.

- 1418 Rescues
- 83,778 Preventative Actions
- 1448 Medical Aides
- 1,710,000 Beach Visitors

On Wednesday, August 27, Newport Beach Lifeguards held a retirement party for Battalion Chief Jim Turner. It was a wonderful send off for someone who has compassionately dedicated 41 years of serving our residents, visitors and especially our personnel.



The last week of August, Newport Beach had some of the largest surf seen in decades. Hurricane Marie off the coast of Baja, California brought waves as high as 20 feet off of "The Point" (between Towers 17 and 19). The Wedge had waves as high as 25 feet. Thousands of visitors came to watch the high surf. Hurricane Marie was the sixth most intense Pacific hurricane on record. Newport Lifeguards made over 335 rescues during the five day period between August 27 and 31, 2014.



(Pictured above: Crowds at the Wedge August 27, 2014)



Lifeguards provided many interviews with various television channels regarding the high surf and significant number of rescues. One interview was filmed live with KTLA, Channel 5 morning news

Seasonal Lifequards Peter Belden (15 year lifeguard) and Hayden Paul (2 year lifeguard). (Lifeguard Hayden Paul, Officer George Leeper,

with Lifeguard Officer George Leeper, and

(Pictured at left: Large wave taken at the "Point" between Towers 17-19)



and Lifeguard Peter Belden)

On Friday, August 29, 2014, the Balboa Peninsula Point Association hosted an end of the summer BBQ. The Association honored our Newport Beach Lifeguards in appreciation for their service. The lifeguards were very thankful for this wonderful tribute.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

EOC Tour for Disney

The City's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) continues to be a model for EOC's. On Friday, August 29th, 20 employees from the Disneyland Resort in Anaheim came to tour our EOC. Disneyland is currently designing an EOC and they wanted to learn best practices and to see how our EOC operates and functions. The Fire Department averages about one tour a month in the new center.



HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

DATE: September 5, 2014

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Terri L. Cassidy, J.D., Deputy City Manager/HR Director

SUBJECT: News and Updates from Human Resources

<u>The Innovation/Improvement Incentive Program (IIIP) Is</u> Officially Launched!

In promotion with the City's Core new Values, we are looking for input from our employees. The revised <u>Council Policy D-4</u> provides employees an opportunity to submit suggestions and if implemented, possibly receive an award! All employees (full & part time) are eligible to participate, with the exception of Department Directors, City Council Members/appointed advisory boards or commissions and members of the IIIP Committee. Employees may visit the Human Resources page on the City's Intranet under Innovation/Improvement Incentive Program (IIIP) at http://citynet.newportbeachca.gov/index.aspx?page=465 to review the Administrative Policy and Submission Form. For questions, please contact Program Coordinator, Jill Camille Ortiz in Human Resources at jortiz@newportbeachca.gov or extension 3310.

Open Enrollment Begins Monday, September 15

The City's Annual Open Enrollment period begins on Monday, September 15, 2014. During Open Enrollment, Risk Management will assist active and retired employees in making their benefit elections for the 2015 plan year.

Medical plan information can be obtained by calling CalPERS at 888-CALPERS (888-227-7377) or online at www.calpers.ca.gov. Open Enrollment information for active employees will be posted on the Employee Intranet on September 15.

Active employees will enroll themselves and dependents online utilizing the Employee Assistance Center (EAC). The EAC can be accessed on the City's internet site at: https://www2.newportbeachca.gov/eac/login.aspx. The deadline to make benefit selections is Friday, October 10, 2014. Employees and retirees are welcome to call Human Resources at extension 3300 with any Open Enrollment questions.

A special thanks to the Informational Technology (IT) Division, for all of their help updating and maintaining the EAC and assisting with Open Enrollment!

Human Resources Welcomes Its Newest Addition



Jessica Martinez, Human Resources Analyst, is the newest member to the Human Resources team. She joined the City in mid-August, on a limited term basis, to assist the department during the Tyler Munis ERP transition. Jessica graduated from Cal State Long Beach with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Business Administration, concentrating on Human Resources. She also comes from a legal

background, having previously worked for the State Bar of California, as well as a few law firms. Jessica can be reached at extension 3298. Welcome to the team, Jessica!



LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT



Library - Cultural Arts

September 5, 2014

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Tim Hetherton, Library Services Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Library Services

It is a super busy September for the library. We started the week with a new schedule of Tuesday @ 2 training programs. Greg Johnson introduced customers to "You Tube" with tips on how to upload, share and monetize videos. Craft programs, Lego Block Parties, SCORE workshops and other programs also started back up this week, not to mention a packed schedule of special events ahead.

Disney Story Artist Brian Kesinger

We are very excited to have Brian Kesinger at the Central Library on Saturday, September 6 at 2 p.m.

Not only is he an accomplished artist with over 15 years of experience working on Disney animation projects, he is also the brother of librarian Allen Kesinger. In addition to his work on Disney projects, Kesinger recently published a children's book titled "Walking with Your Octopus: A Guidebook to the Domesticated Cephalopod." The program should be fascinating for kids ages ten and older, as well as adults and teens.



Support for Literacy

Literacy Services will host an International Literacy Day event on Thursday, September 11. The annual event always attracts a crowd and inspires the audience as tutors and learners are recognized for their dedication and hard work. This year's recipient of the Rochelle Hoffman award will also be announced.

Recently, the program received support from an unexpected source. Local restaurant Cucina Enoteca partners with a different local charity each month to raise awareness and much needed funds for notable causes. For the month of September, they will donate \$1 for every bottle or glass of CUCINA

private label wine sold at both their Newport Beach and Irvine Spectrum locations to Newport/Mesa ProLiteracy.

Sunday Musicale

The Fall season of Sunday Musicales kicks off on Sunday, September 7 with Triple Entendre playing in the Friends Room. The dynamic chamber ensemble, featuring Jonathan Marzluf on oboe, Lisa Yamamoto playing flute and Katie Lee on piano, will play selections from various composers.

Cultural Arts Services

New Art Exhibit at Central Library

A new art exhibit was installed in the lobby of the Central Library this week. Titled "Colors and Designs," the exhibit features art by Michaell Magrutsche. Michaell say he creates "Art with a Punch," and when you come through the Central Library you will see why. The colorful paintings, with titles such as "Vortex in Harmony," "Dance of Crowns," "Festivities" and "Smile & Relax," aim to evoke "the strongest positive impact possible," according to Magrutsche, "thereby, uplifting emotions and changing the feel of a room or area."



The paintings will be on display until October 25, 2014. The public is invited to meet the artist and learn about his artistic vision and process at a reception on Monday, September 8 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the Central Library Friends Room, 1000 Avocado Avenue, Newport Beach.

Eagles Music on the Green

This Sunday, the City Manager in conjunction with the Arts Commission will host the final concert in the 2014 series of Concerts on the Green. We are expecting a great turnout to enjoy sounds from *Desperado*, a premier Eagles tribute band that has a reputation for sounding just like the real thing. I'll be there and so will many of the Library staff. It should be a fun night!



Grand Opening for Sculpture Exhibition

We are in the final week of preparation for the Inaugural Sculpture in Civic Center Park Exhibition Grand Opening Celebration which will be held next Saturday, September 13. Janis Dinwiddie is coordinating the event with assistance from the staff and Arts Commission members. The events will begin at 2 p.m. in the Park with artivities for children coordinated by Orange County Museum of Art and docent tours led by members of the Newport Beach Art Foundation. A program and reception will be held in the Civic Center Community Room at 3 p.m.

OC Magazine ran a nice spread of photos of the sculpture in the magazine that accompanied the OC Register on Thursday. We expect to get more coverage in the week preceding the event.



September 5, 2014

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: George Murdoch and Mike Pisani, Co-Directors

SUBJECT: City Manager's Newsletter

Hurricane Marie





Due to Hurricane Marie off of the coast of Cabo San Lucas, 25 foot waves hit the beach at The Wedge and around 18th Street last week. Crews built sand berms at the sections of the Peninsula that are vulnerable to flooding: the Balboa and Newport Piers, and the beach from Adams to 13th Streets and C and G Streets.





The high surf event brought in many spectators to the area, which kept Field Maintenance crews busy with clean-up and traffic issues. In addition, at least 92 tons of seaweed was hauled off the beach from this high surf event.

This week, Beach Maintenance staff refreshed the berms in order to prepare for potential high surf this weekend.

Bonita Canyon Sports Park Landscape Enhancement

Last month, the Parks and Trees Division completed an enhancement project of parking lot planters and streetscape along Ford Road at Bonita Canyon Sports Park. The project replaced plants that were generally under-performing and outdated. The selected plant palette blended "California Friendly" shrubs, grasses, and succulents, which are drought-tolerant, low maintenance, and most importantly, colorful and vigorous (see photos below). Kudos to Crew Chief Kim Pederson and our parks maintenance contractor, Pinnacle Landscape, for their efforts in creating this beautiful new landscape.

Before



After



Summer BBQ



Last Thursday, over 100 MOD staff members, retirees, and guests came together for a potluck barbeque lunch. It was an opportunity to recognize the hard work and extra effort that the department crews put in during the summer months. A special *thank you* goes to the Administrative staff and Managers for coordinating the event and grilling the food.





NEWPORT BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Jay R. Johnson, Chief of Police

DATE: September 5, 2014

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

"Hello" to Some New Faces...

On Monday, August 25, I had the pleasure of welcoming two new employees to the Police Department and promoting Sergeant Steve Rasmussen to the rank of Lieutenant.



Andrew Norton

Andrew was born in Long Beach and raised in La Palma. After graduating from John F. Kennedy High School, Andrew obtained an Associate's Degree in Criminal Justice and a Certificate of Achievement in Criminal Justice from Golden West College.

In 2008, Andrew was hired as a Traffic Control Officer by the Anaheim Police Department. In 2010, he became a Sheriff's Security Officer at the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and, two years later, entered the

Academy as a recruit. On graduation, Andrew was assigned to the Inmate Reception Center in the Custody Division.

Andrew is assigned to the Patrol Division with a Field Training Officer.

Chris Phelan

Chris was born in San Clemente and raised in Dana Point. After his graduation from Capistrano Valley Christian High School, Chris started attending college while simultaneously serving in the United States Marine Corps. He went on to complete two combat deployments (in Iraq and Africa) and to receive a Bachelor's Degree in History from UCLA.



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In 2008, Chris was sworn in as a Los Angeles Police Officer. During his time with LAPD, Chris completed a deployment to Afghanistan and obtained his Master of Science Degree in Criminology through the University of Cincinnati.

Chris is assigned to the Patrol Division with a Field Training Officer.



Steve Rasmussen

Steve was born and raised in Visalia where he attended Mt. Whitney High School. After attending UCI, where he received his Bachelor's Degree in both Criminology and City Planning, Steve transferred to Chapman University School of Law and obtained a Juris Doctorate. He then passed the bar examination and has maintained a law practice in both real estate and estate planning for the past fifteen years.

During his career at the Department, Steve has worked as a Patrol Officer, Patrol POP Officer, Accident Investigator, Economic Crimes Detective, Patrol Sergeant, and – most recently – a Detective Sergeant in the Special Investigations

Unit. He has also represented the Newport Beach Police Management Association as President for the past four years.

With his promotion to Lieutenant, Steve will be assigned to the Patrol Division as a Watch Commander.

Please join me in congratulating Lieutenant Rasmussen on his promotion and in welcoming our two newest Officers to the NBPD family.

... And "Goodbye" to Some Old Friends

Two long-time members of the Newport Beach Police Department are retiring. Moments like this bring both joy (as we wish them the best in their retirements) and heavy hearts (as we realize how much they will be missed).

Custody Officer Mark Satin is retiring after 25 years of service with the NBPD. As you can tell from his "booking photo" to the right, he is pretty excited about the road ahead.





Captain Dale Johnson started his career in 1984 at the Pima County (Arizona) Sheriff's Department. After several years of service, he transferred to the Newport Beach Police Department in 1987.

Captain Johnson currently heads the Detective Division, overseeing investigators, CSI, and our Crime Analyst. He will have 30 years total law enforcement experience upon retirement.

We wish them both all the best in retirement!

Notable Arrest



On Sunday, August 31, Officer Dustin Houston was on patrol when he noticed a car with expired registration tags. While checking the registration records, the Officer received an alert that the car might have been stolen.

Officer Houston initiated a traffic stop and conducted a thorough investigation, assisted by Sergeant Bryan Moore and Officers Dallas Lopez and Kevin Monsoor.

They were able to determine that both the vehicle itself, and the plates attached to it, had been stolen in separate incidents. The driver and passenger were both in possession of spring-loaded switchblade knives, and the driver also had methamphetamine in his pocket.

A further search of the vehicle revealed numerous burglary tools and supplies, including a metal-cutting tool, gloves, and bandanas. I have no doubt that a potential crime spree was averted thanks to Officer Houston's proactive police work.

Public Works Department

City Manager's Newsletter

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: David A. Webb, Public Works Director

Date: September 5, 2014

NEWPORT BEACH LIFEGUARD HEADQUARTERS GETS A MAKEOVER!

On September 9, 2014, Public Works will bring the Notice of Completion for the Lifeguard Headquarters Rehabilitation Project to City Council for approval. The City's contractor Optima RPM modified nearly every space in the building creating a modern and revitalized building. Some updates included an increased and enhanced viewing area for dispatch, a new electrical system; upgrades to the men's and women's locker rooms, revitalization of all offices on the second floor



to fit current and future lifeguard needs, an added training facility for up to 50 people, and new interior finishing throughout the building.

This project required coordinated effort and support of many City Staff including Peter Tauscher- Public Works, Jim Auger and Joe Delgado - General Services, Rob Williams – Lifeguard Chief, Blair Flickett – Construction Manager, Mike Wojciechowski – IT, Seimone Jurjis and the Building Division. For more information, please contact Project Manager Peter Tauscher at (949) 644-3316.





PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY SEWER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT UPDATE

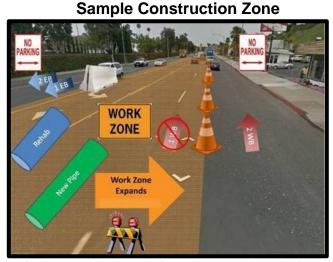


The community will notice more construction taking place on Coast Highway between Prospect Street and Dover Drive as the **Orange County Sanitation District's (OCSD)** Newport Force Main Project begins. *Most work will take place Monday to Friday, between the hours of 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.* Some portions of the work will require night and weekend work and extended hours.

The week of September 8 motorists and cyclists can expect intermittent lane closures as crews start to reconfigure the roadway (restriping traffic lanes) and other work is performed in preparation of construction. Because most of the sewer pipeline work takes place in the center of West Coast Highway, the travel lanes will be shifted to the outside edges of the

highway. Most of the on-street parking will be temporarily removed to make room for the traffic lanes. *Bikes will share the outside lane with vehicles – be aware of them and be cautious*. For safety purposes, concrete "K-rail" will be in place on the bay side of the median which will restrict left turns in the work areas.

September 15 work crews will begin to mobilize in the area as construction activity starts to get underway. Eastbound through Mariners Mile (Newport Boulevard to Dover Drive) two travel lanes will remain open for the majority of the project (heading from Huntington Beach to Corona del Mar). However, the westbound lanes (heading from



During working hours, the area expands reducing westbound travel lanes from two to one

Corona del Mar to Huntington Beach) may be down to one lane during working hours. This is where we expect the most significant traffic impacts to occur and commuters should be prepared to avoid the area. All local businesses will remain open during the construction period. Please remember them, and continue to visit them and shop there as best you can. If you can't brave the weekdays, please make every effort to visit on a weekend, when traffic

Other Project Information

is lighter and more lanes are open.

Throughout the project there will be traffic delays as stretches of Coast Highway will be down to as few as one lane during portions of the day. There will be elevated noise levels, vibration, possible odors, and other related impacts. However, mitigation measures will be put in place to ensure compliance with City ordinances and to minimize the impact to our neighbors. For more information, visit the OCSD website at ocsewers.com/nbprogram.

Questions?

If you would like additional information, please call OCSD's community liaison at the construction hotline 714-679-2088 or e-mail constructionhotline@ocsd.com. You can sign up to receive email updates on this project directly from OCSD by clicking here and selecting the topic "Newport Force Main".

PLANNED TRAFFIC ADVISORIES ARE NOW ON THE WEB!

Information on **Planned Traffic Advisories** generally goes out to the public via email and social media. Now, these advisories can also be accessed in a week at a glance format by clicking the "Traffic Advisories" link on the City's website at: www.newportbeachca.gov/traffic.

To sign up to receive these advisories via email, please subscribe to the City's General News by <u>clicking here</u> and don't forget to follow the City on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u> to stay informed!

RECREATION & SENIOR SERVICES

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Laura Detweiler, Recreation & Senior Services Director

Date: September 5, 2014





Active Kids

The much-anticipated Active Kids Afterschool Program is off to a great start as school began this week. Registration is at an all-time high with 180 children signed up for after school care. The amazing and creative Recreation staff is running the Active Kids program at three sites: the Community Youth Center (CYC), Mariners Library, and Newport Elementary School. The program is invaluable to our resident parents offering help with homework, games, crafts, activities, snacks, and more!

Preschool 101

Preschoolers will be starting their Pre-K adventures next week on September 8th. Preschool 101 takes place at the Newport Coast Community Center in the newly renovated ABC room and at Mariners Library in the Vincent Jorgenson Room. This program has 60 preschoolers enrolled ready to start their academic journey.

New Improved Transportation Software

The OASIS transportation program will begin using a new software system this month called Simpli Transport which is being funded by a generous donation from The Friends of OASIS. This software will assist us in the creation of daily schedules, routing of rides and tracking of client data. Simpli Transport is a division of Trapeze Group, a global transit company based in Canada.

The program is web based, affordable, and easy to use. The new software will help improve the efficiency of the transportation program by streamlining operations and providing more automation. The OASIS transportation currently provides close to 20,000 rides per year to City residents who can no longer drive and the need for services is growing rapidly.

New Recreation Coordinator!

Please join us in congratulating Brian Cordeiro who was selected for the Coordinator position overseeing the Newport Coast Community Center and Aquatics programs. Brian joined the City of Newport Beach Recreation & Senior Services Department as a Senior Recreation Leader in March of 2012 and has a Bachelor's degree from Cal State Long Beach. Brian has been acting as the Recreation Coordinator since May of this year.

Congratulations, Brian!

San Miguel Park Re-opens!

The new restroom, picnic structure, site amenities and hardscape reopened to the public on September 2nd! A true team effort took place in completing the project with special thanks to several departments including Public Works, Municipal Operations and Recreation & Senior Services. Make sure to take some time to stop by and view the park and its updates.

SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL SENIOR CENTER MONTH!

This year's national theme is "Senior Centers: Experts at Living Well." Take advantage of what OASIS has to offer to help you live well:

- Visit the Senior Resources Expo and Taste of OASIS on September 13.
- Celebrate Grandparents Day on September 7, by doing something Grand!
- Be EXTRA active during Active Aging Week, September 21 through September 27



Gone Cruisin'

On August 29th the Orange County Marine Protected Areas Council hosted its Second Annual Marine Protected Area Cruise. This cruise helps get the word out about local efforts in support of Marine Protected Areas. And, for the second year the Blue Whales did not disappoint! This year, tour participants were treated to views of 9 Blue Whales!

The Orange County Marine Protected Area Council (OCMPAC) is a collaboration of

city, county, state and federal officials, institutional representatives, environmental consultants, academic faculty, and nonprofit organization members. The goal is to set the model for localized implementation of marine conservation efforts through regional communication and cooperation. OCMPAC accomplishments have included county-wide signage, enforcement trainings, teacher workshops, research management, and education programs. For further information, go to www.ocmarineprotection.org, or contact our local representative Natural Resources Management Specialist Michelle Clemente.

Drumming a Success!

The OASIS Senior Center hosted its first drum circle event on August 20 and received rave reviews! Group drumming has been shown to boost the immune system, improve mood states, reduce stress and improve creativity and bonding. The goal is to make this a monthly event.

OASIS Senior Resources Expo and "Taste at OASIS"

Join us next Saturday, September 13 at the Senior Resources Expo. Visit with over 50 vendors from

health and wellness organizations, homecare agencies, medical groups, financial services, local animal rescues and more! Stay afterwards for the "Taste at OASIS" and choose from a variety of lunch and dessert items. Expo is free; lunch tickets are \$5 and include 4 "tastes." For more information, please call 949-644-3244.

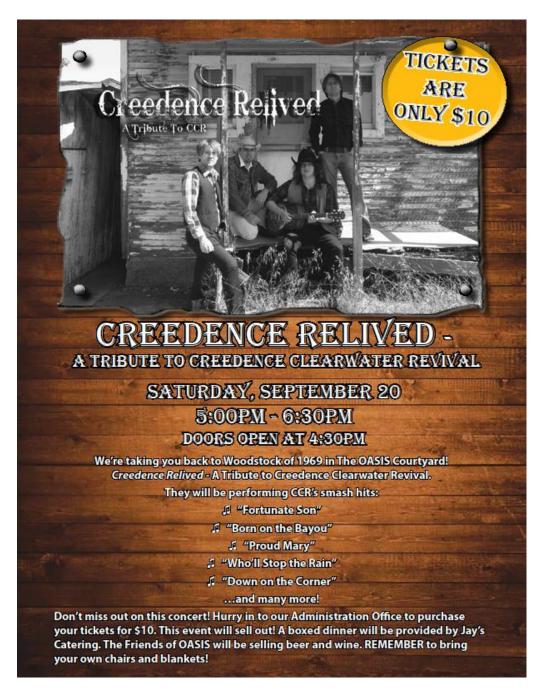


Coastal Cleanup Day

The Natural Resources division is gearing up for Coastal Cleanup Day on Saturday, September 20th. Volunteers are needed to help cleanup at the beaches throughout the city! Businesses from all areas and organizations are pitching in to help maintain the ocean and waterways. Please contact Michelle Clemente at mclemente@newportbeachca.gov for information or to volunteer.

Concert in the Courtyard

Once again OASIS is holding the Concert in the Courtyard. To end out the summer season, Creendence Relived which is a Creedence Crearwater Revival Tribute Band will be featured. 250 people will enjoy a summer evening on the lawn with a box picnic dinner and fantastic tunes. These events have always sold out



-Bruce Lee

HIMMAK.	Things To Do in Newport Beach:
Sat. 9/6 1-3pm	Marine Protected Area Hikes Meets at Little Corona - FREE
sat. 9/7 6-7:30pm	Concerts on the Green "Desperado" Eagles Tribute Band - 100 Civic Center Dr. FREE
sat. 9/13 2pm	Grand Opening: Sculpture in Civic Center Park Exhibition - 100 Civic Center Dr. FREE
sat. 9/13 9am-2pm	OASIS Senior Resource Expo & "Taste at OASIS" OASIS - 801 Narcissus Ave. Expo Free/Taste \$5
sat. 9/20 9am-Noon	Coastal Cleanup Day Visit: www.coastalca.gov/opubliced/ccd/ccd/html FREE
Sat. 9/20 5-6:30pm	Concerts in the Courtyard: Creedence Relived OASIS - 801 Narcissus Ave. \$10/ticket
Sun. 9/21 11:30am-2pm	Hootenanny in the Heights (Family Fun) Cliff Drive Park - 301 Riverside Ave. FREE
satsun. 9/27-9/28	26th Annual Arnette & CNB Surf Championships For more information, call 949-644-3151.
sat. 10/11 10am-4pm	Art in the Park 2014 Civic Green - 100 Civic Center Drive FREE